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The Carol Book of T. H. II.

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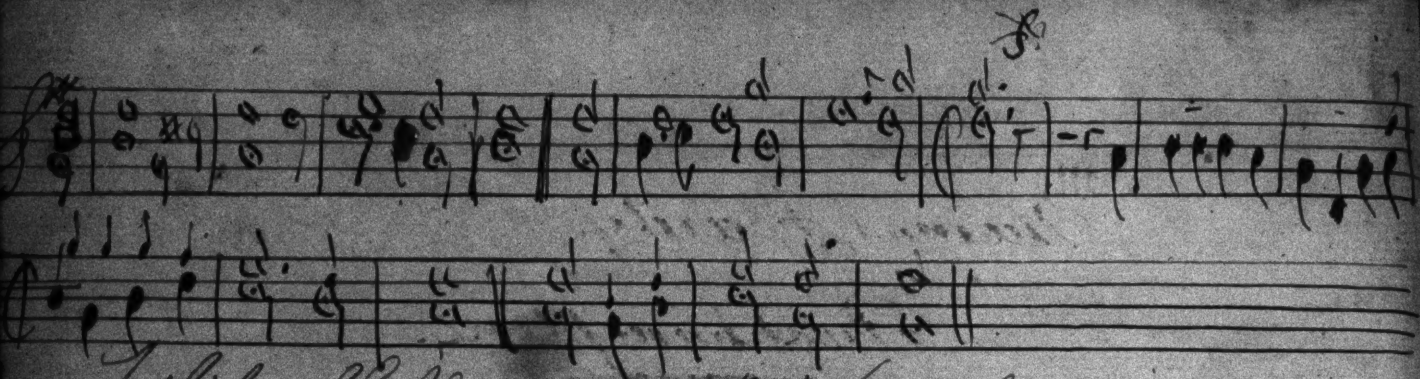
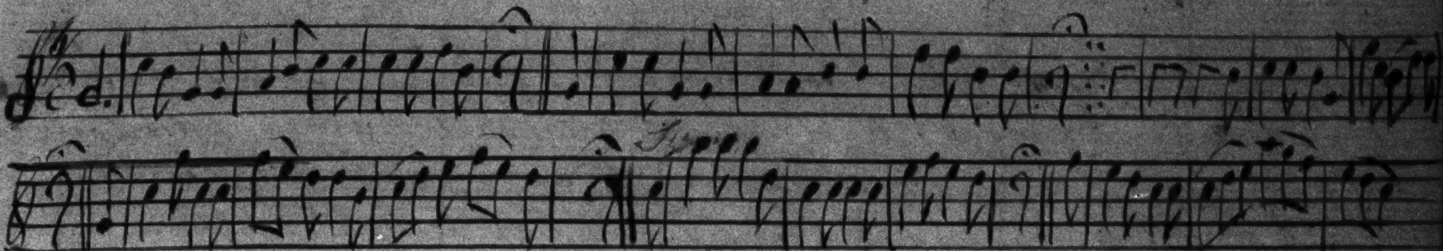


While Shepherds Watch'd their flocks by night
All Seated on the Ground
The Angel of the Lord Came Down
And Glory Shone Around
Fear not Said He for mighty Dread
Had Seiz'd their troubled mind
Glad tidings of great Joy I Bring
To you and all mankind
All Glory give to God on High
and to the Earth Be peace
Good Will Henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never Cease



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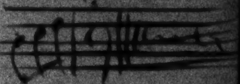


Awake Arise Rejoice and Sing
To See this Blessed morn
Awake Awake lift up your Voice
Our Saviour Christ is Born No 1

2nd

The Watchfull Shepherds hear their flock
Were Waiting for the morn
But better news from Heaven was Bro
Our Saviour Christ is Born

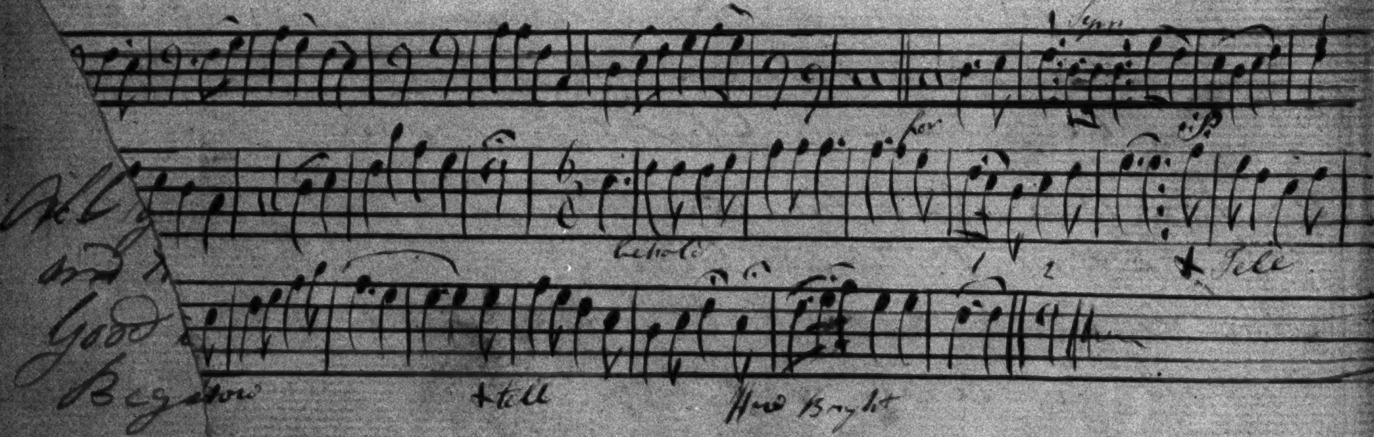
3rd

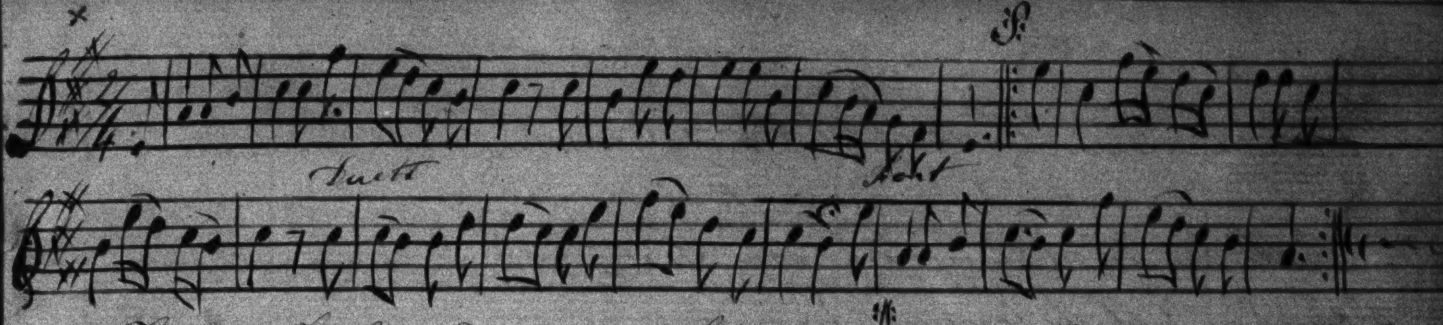
Go now with Speed the Angels Said
make hast without Delay
The Heavenly babe that now is Born
Doth in Amanger lay

Arise and Hail the Glorious morn that Christ Came from Abov
For to make known to Sinfull men the Wondrous of His Love
Behold your King your Saviour Crown'd With Glories all divi
And tell the Wondring nations round how bright his Glories Shine

Now lets proclaim the joyfull Day When heaven & earth Shall rin
With all their powers the rapturd Lay to Celebrate His praise
Glory to God in Highest Strains in Highest World Be paid
His Glory By our lips proclaim & By our lives Displayed

No 27





While Shepherds were feeding their flocks in the field
the birth of our Saviour to them was reveal'd
And Angels assembling in Clouds did appear
While Shepherds Lay trembling and Smitten with fear

Forbear to be fearful, you've reason to sing
Rejoice and Be Chearful Gladtidings we bring
He's born in the City of David therefore
A Saviour of pity to whom we adore

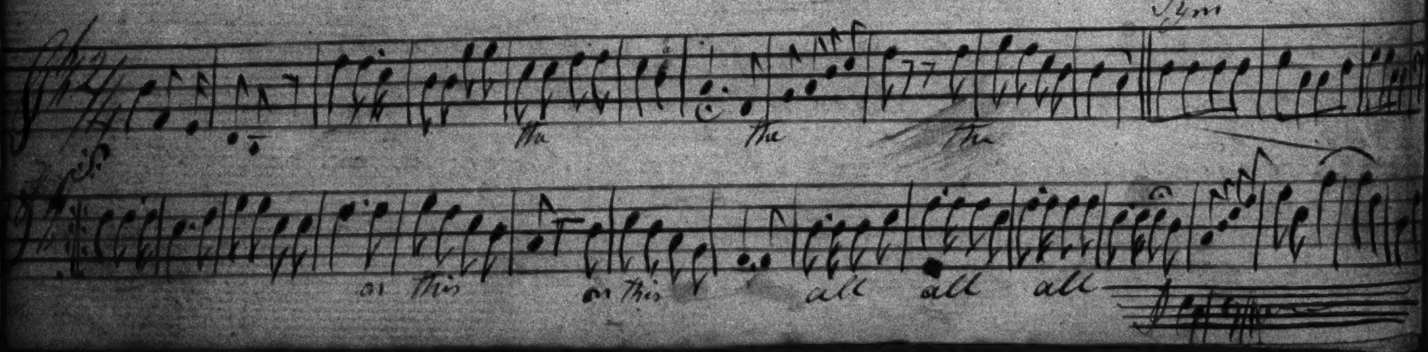
N. 32

He's Come to redeem us from guilt and from sin
For love He would have us new lives to Begin
In love each believers Shall Gladly adore
For ever and ever when Time is no more

Rejoice this Glorious Day is Come
The Great Redeemers Born
O then rejoice rejoice and Sing
on this all Glorious Morn

No 39

He Comes let every heart rejoice
Behold the Sacred morn
Be Chearful and lift up your Voice
For now a Saviours Born

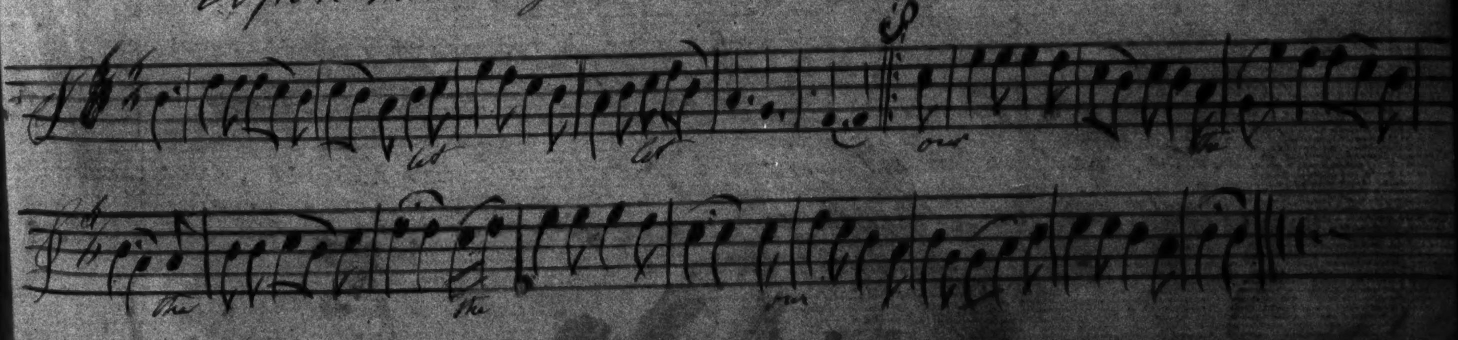


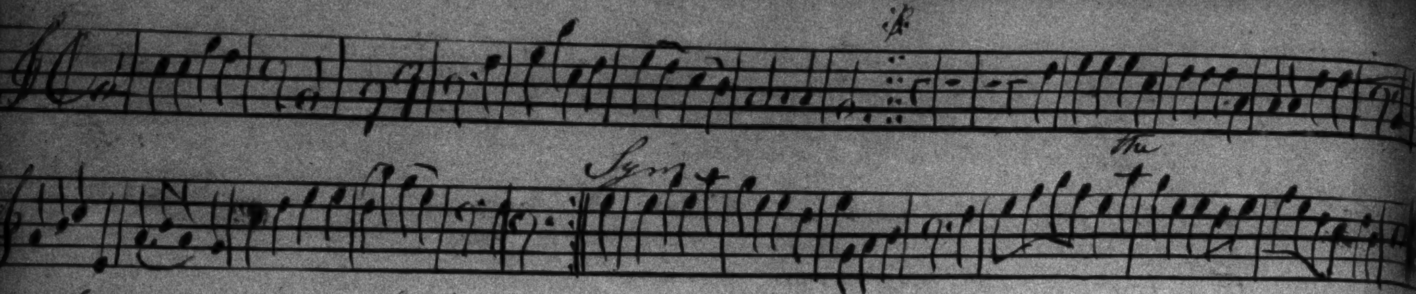
Arise bright Sons of Righteousness
let all the earth rejoice
Our Saviour Christ is born to Day
The Sons of Adams race

Let Elders Worship at thy feet
thy Saints adore around
With Valleys full of Odours Sweet
and Harps of Sweetest Sound

This Glorious Day let's all rejoice
That Christ the Lord is born
In Hymns of praises let us Sing
Upon this blessed morn

N 43

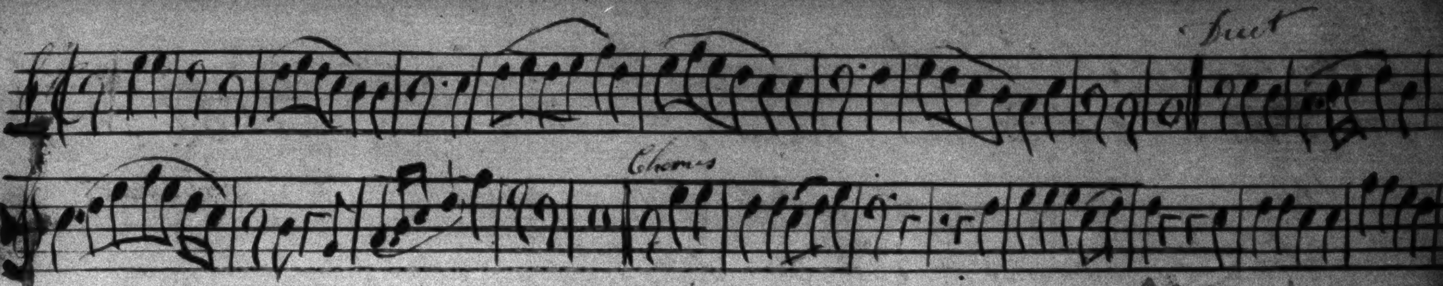


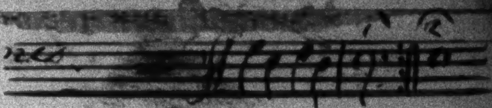


In Bethelms happy regions were of Old
the royal Shepherds once there flocks did fold
the Same imploy the Swains did Waiting keep
From thieves and midnight wolves to Guard their Sheep

The Queen of Night High mounted on her throne
Had now thrown half her Silent Journey round
When to the Eastern lovely Beams adorn No 41
Then Guide the Evening Cloudy rising morn

Was Ever Such Cause of Joy this Happy morn
the Promis'd Saviour of this World is Born
To Bethelm hast-you'l find Him there he Said
Nurst in a Stall and in a manger Laid



Hark the Glad Sound the Saviour Comes 
The Saviour promis'd Long
Let every heart prepare a throne
And every Voice a Song

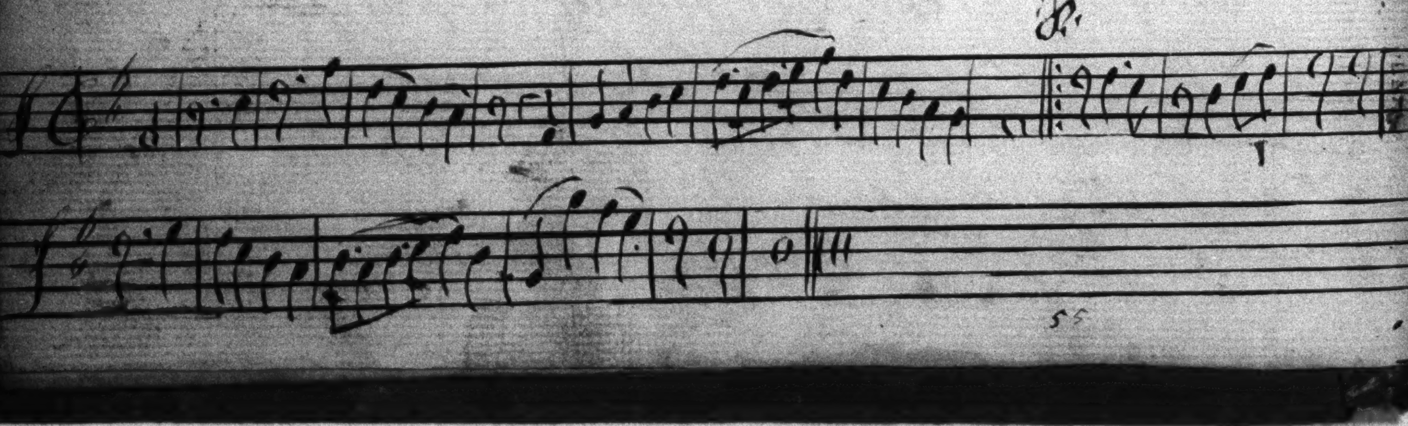
He Comes the Prisoners to release
in Satans Bondage held
N 54 The Gates of Brass before him burst
The Iron Fetters yield

Our glad Hosanna prince of peace
Thy Welcome Shall proclaim
And Heavens eternal arches ring
With thy Belov'd name

Arise and Join the Heavenly Choir 1027
Upon this Glorious Morn
This is the Day the blessed day
Our Saviour Christ was Born

From heavn above the Saviour Came
to Sinfull men on Earth
Then let us all rejoice and Sing
at our redeemers birth

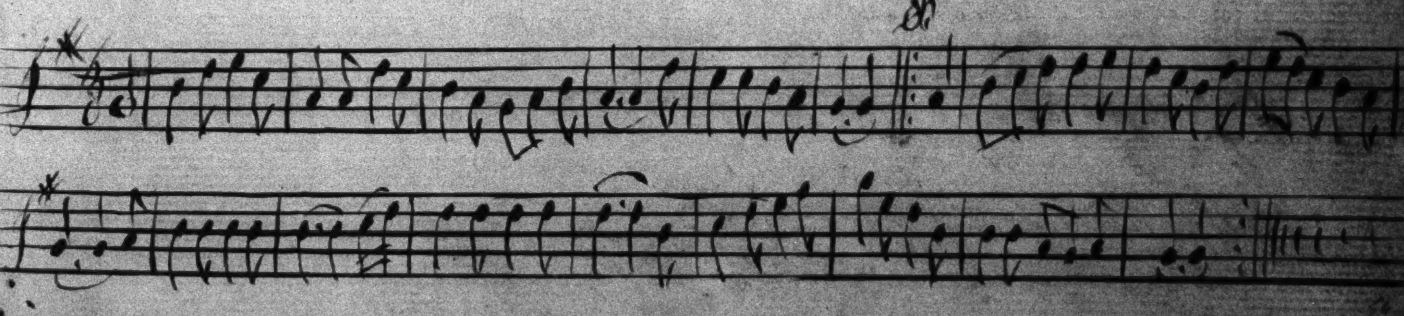
All glory be to God above No 55
That Sent his Son on Earth
And Hallelujah let us Sing
For Joy of Such a birth

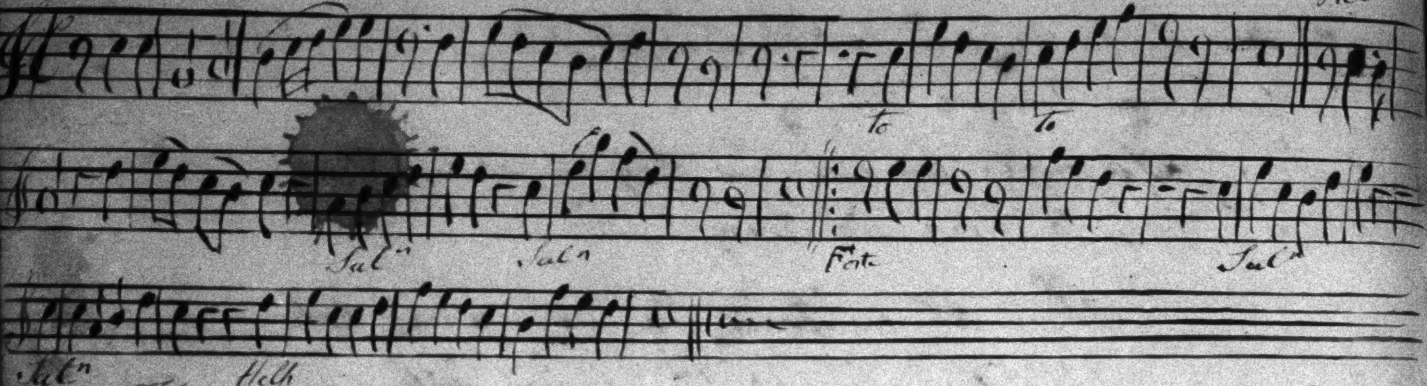


Hark Hark the angels on this Morn
Melodious music bring
Our Saviour Christ this day is born
With joy to Him we Sing

Then let us Join the heavenly Choir
Who Dwells with Christ above
And Celebrate his glorious name
with great redeeming Love

For ever bless that Joyfull Day N° 56
Our Saviour Came on earth
With greatfull Songs his love repay
in Songs that never Cease





Hosanna to the anointed King
to Davids only Son
Help us o Lord descend and bring
Salvation from thy throne

N° 57

Blest be the Lord who comes to men
with message of grace
Who comes in god the fathers name
to save our sinfull race

Hosanna in the higest strains
the Church on Earth can raise
The highest heavens in which he reigns
Shall give him nobler praise

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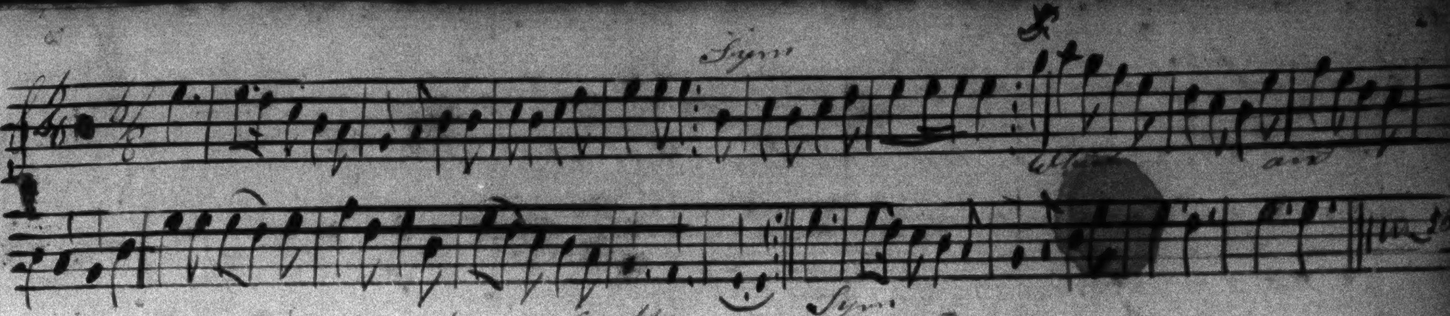


N 58

Once more Behold the glorious Day
Return to bless our favour'd eyes
Which took the Sting of Death away
And sent a Saviour from the Skyes

For When by Adams fall undone
To Endless Death ~~when~~ Were all Consign'd
then Came thine Everlasting Son
And Bore the Sins of all mankind

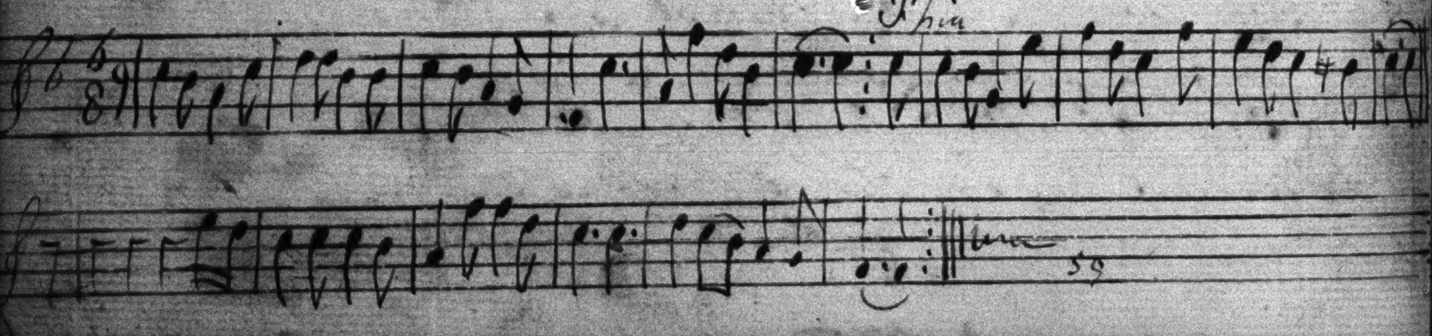
By Him restor'd to grace and Love
now Life Immortal is the prize
And oh What Blissfull State above
Await us in the Glorious Skyes

*What unbounded goodness Lord
hast thou this morn Displayd
in Sending here the infant god
Who in a manger Laid

With pure Delight our bosoms glow
Our Infant Lord to See
And to the Courtly Stable Speed
With gifts for Christ and thee

No 59

Oh let us loudly now proclaim
Our adoration here
and henceforth Worship Will thy Son
Our Lord and Saviour Dear

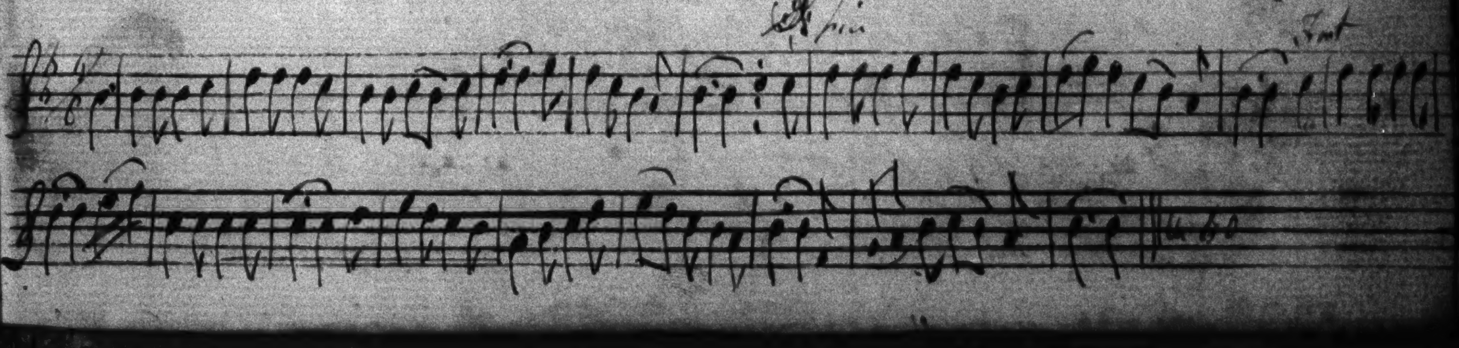


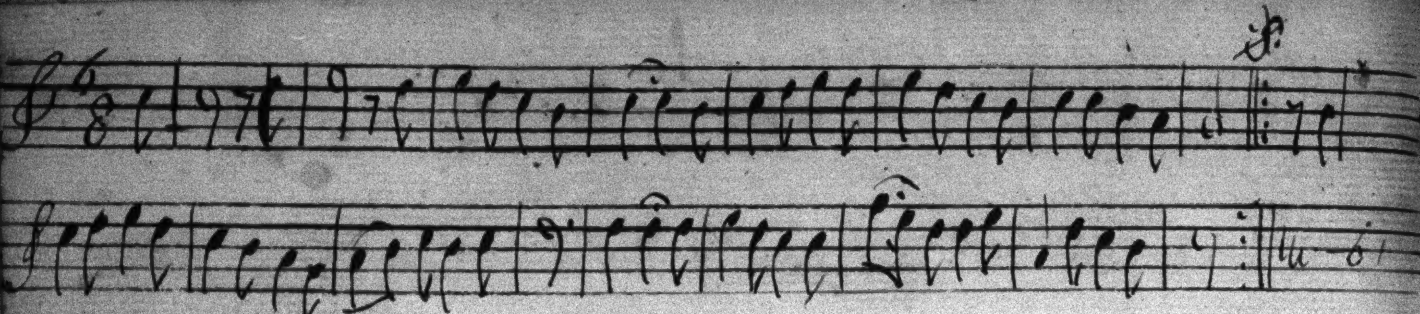
As Shepherds Watch'd their fleecy care
in open fields by night
The Angel of the Lord appear'd
a-Dorn'd With Glory Bright

Fear not Said He for news I Bring
to you and all mankind
of Jesus Christ our Lord and King
As you may Surely find

See the Bright Star all in the East
Your faithfull Guide Shall be
Till you Arrive unto the place
Your Saviour for to See

No 60





Behold the Morning Star
How bright its glorious Shine!
See How the heavens now open are
Hark Music How Divine!

Arise Ye mortals hear
Angelic Voices Sing
And Shout With the Celestial Choir
The praise of Christ Your King

He Comes to Bless mankind
With Universal Peace
He Comes to Heal the Sinners mind
To Save A Ruin'd Race

No 61

Hark how the Heavenly Angels Sing
With A Melodious Voice
News of our Saviours birth they bring No 62
Which makes the earth rejoice

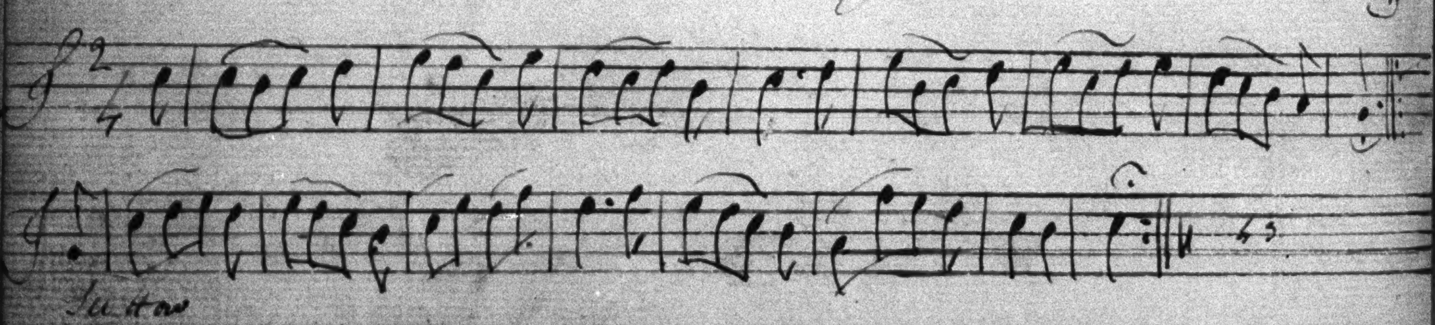
Behold in Bethelem this Day
~~Brings forth our~~ A Virgin Choice and pure
Brings forth our Saviour Christ and King
Salvation to Secure

Glory we Sing to God Above
With Gratefull heart and Voice
Peace and Good Will to men we bring
Let all the earth rejoice

Awake Arise and Hail the Morn
For unto us a Saviour's Born
See How the Angels Wing their Way
To usher in the Glorious Day
Hark What Sweet Music What a Song
Sounds from the Bright Celestial Throng
Sweet Song Whose melting Sounds impart
Joy to each raptur'd listning heart

No 63

Come Join the Angels in the Sky
Glory to God who reigns on high
Let peace and Love on Earth abound
While time revolves and Years roll round



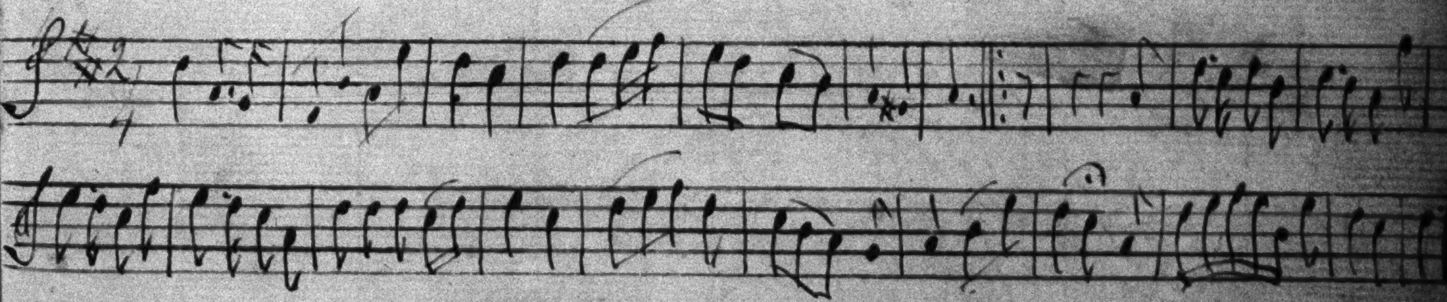
See How

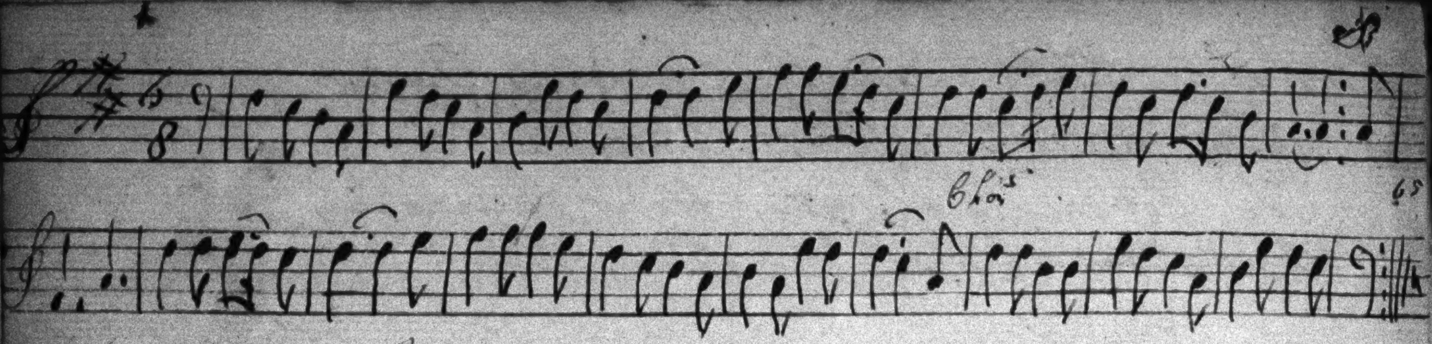
Come ye that Love the Saviours name
And Joy to make it known
The Sov:reign of your Heart proclaim
And Bow before his throne

Behold your King your Saviour Crown'd
With Glories all Divine
And tell the Wondering nations round
How bright those Glories Shine

Let every tongue his name Confess
With bowing knees adore
The King of Glory prince of peace
Who reigns for ever more

No 64



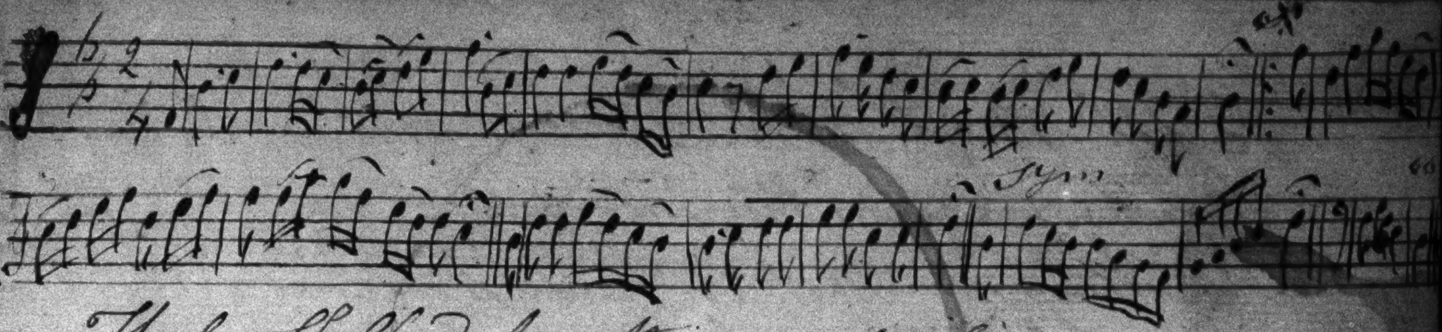


No 65

Behold the Morning Star Arise
The Son of God Appears
Seraphic legions bend the Skies
Hark, Hallelujah, hear!

Be every Vale exalted high
Sink every mountain low
Behold the great Messiah Comes
Salvation to Bestow

He Comes from yonder realms Above
With his Angelic train
O think what mighty Works of Love
Lost Sinners to regain

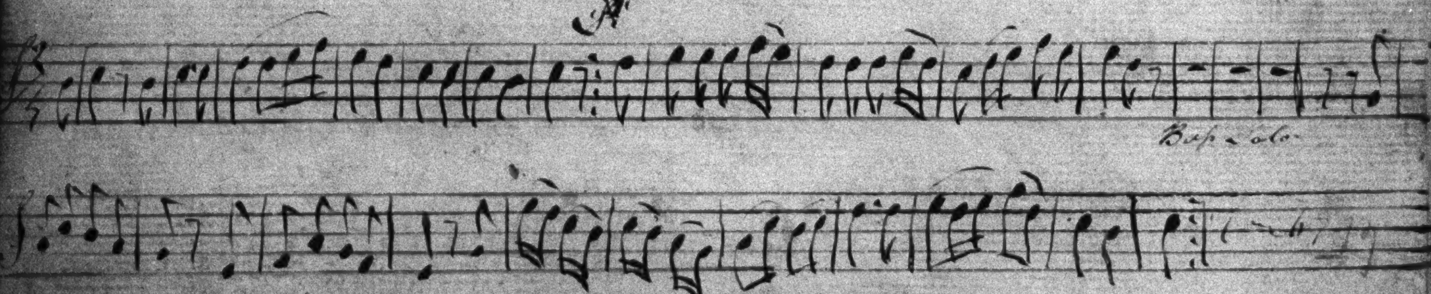


Hark Shepherds how the Angels Sing
For Joy that Christ was born
A Spotless Virgen Did him bring
All on this Blessed morn
Wise men from far Led by a Star No 66
Which was a faithfull guide
Untill they Came where Jesus laid
And Him they Glorified
Glory to God Arise and Sing
And usher in the morn
Hark how the heavenly air Doth sing
Sweet Jesus he is Born

Behold Behold what Glorious news
Breaks in upon this morn
The Heavenly Host to man proclaim
That Christ our Saviour's born

He comes He Comes With Glory Crownd
To Sinfull men on earth
And Angels Strike theire Harps With Joy
at our Redeemers birth

No 67

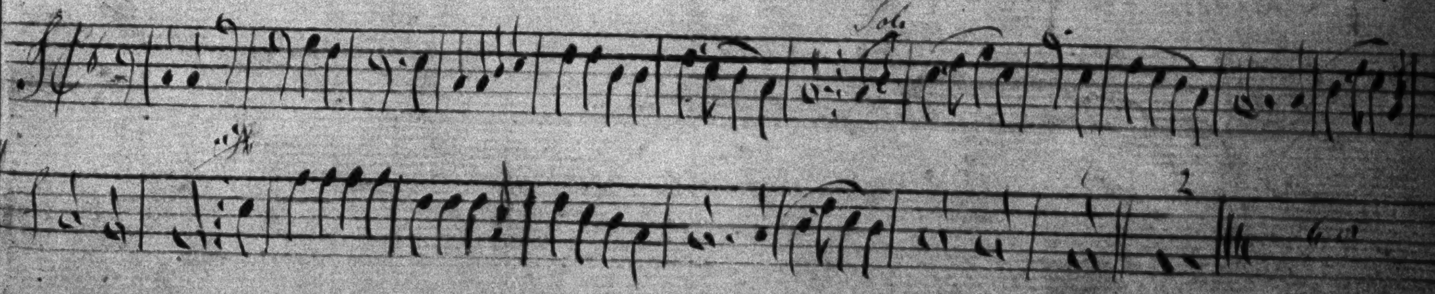


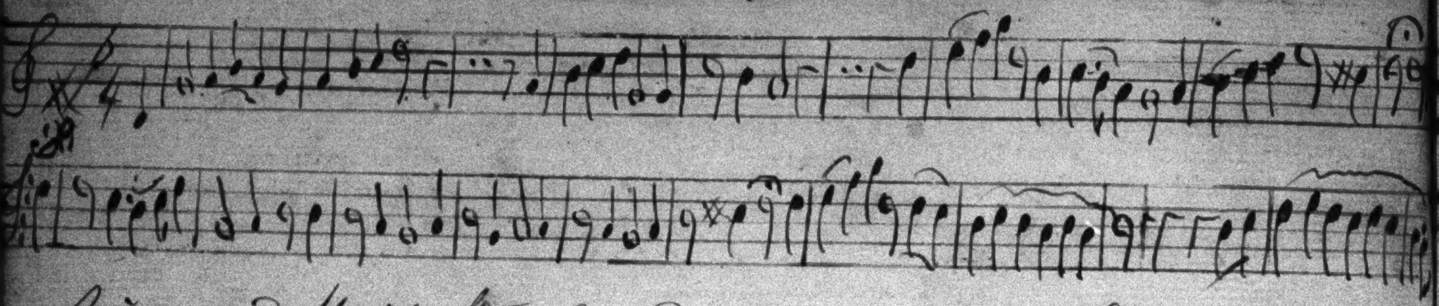
Hark hark What news the Angels Bring
All on this Bless'd morn
Our Saviour Jesus Christ the Lord
He on this Day Was Born

Behold Bright armies in the Skis
This morning Did appear
Angels to Shepherds testify
the King of Glory there

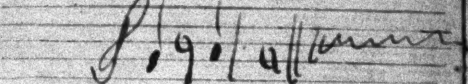
O Lord to thee all Glory be
The fountain of all Grace
the everlasting father He
And only prince of peace

N 68





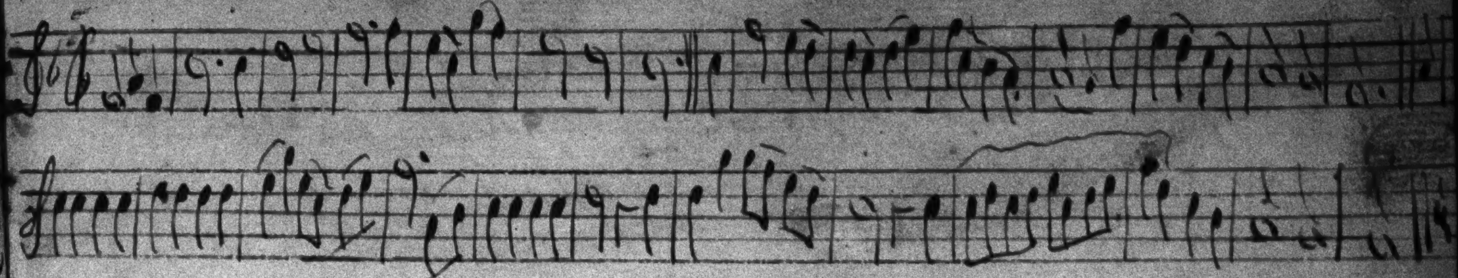
Arise And Hail the Sacred Day



Cast All Dull Cares of Life Away
The thoughts of man or things
This Day to bear thy Deadly Wounds
The Son of righteousness Arose
With Healing in His Wings

No 69

If Angels on this happy morn
When Christ our Saviour Lord was Born
Sent forth A Joyfull Song
Why Should not We for Human race
Declare the Woonders of thy Grace
To Whom thy now belong



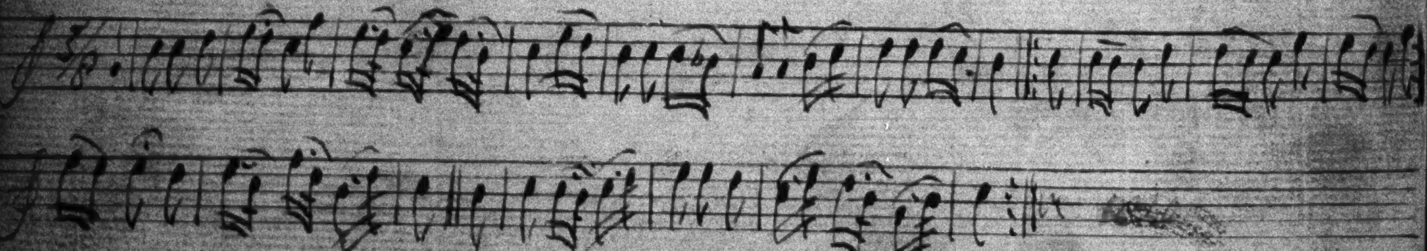
Awake our Hearts And Let us Sing
Prepare A tune full Voice
Our Saviour Christ Glad Tidings Bring
A loud Will We Rejoice

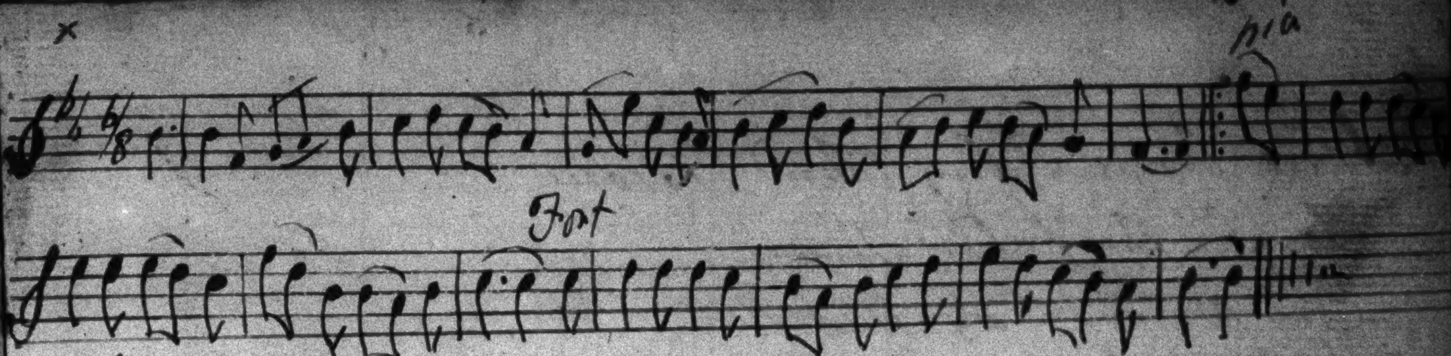
No 70 What Joyfull news awake and Hear
From heaven to earth is Come
Loud Shouting Angels Rend the Air
For Joy of Such A Son

Glory to God who Reigns Above
And Lasting peace on earth
Good will to man to Angels Join
At our Redeemers Birth

O Jesus my Saviour I fain Would embrace
thy name and thy nature thy Spirit and grace
I'll trace the Dear foot Steps of Jesus my Lord
and Glory in Him Whom the nations Abhorrd

O Wonder of Wonders astonish'd I Gaze No 71
to See in a manger the ancient of Days
The angels proclaiming to Strangers forlorn
and telling the Shepherds that Jesus is Born
my God is returned to his Glory on High
When Death makes a passage to Him I will fly
and Gladly will leave all my brethren Behind
Expecting in Glory we all Shall Be Joind





Behold Good news from heaven is Come
A Saviour Shall be born
While Shepherds in the fields did Wait
To See the glorious morn

No. 72 Awake and Celebrate the Day
That Jesus Christ Was born
With Solemn Joy We gladly Sing
the glory of the Morn
Loud Hallelujahs let us Sing
Be praise and glory given
let Saints on earth and angels Sing
The harmony of Heaven

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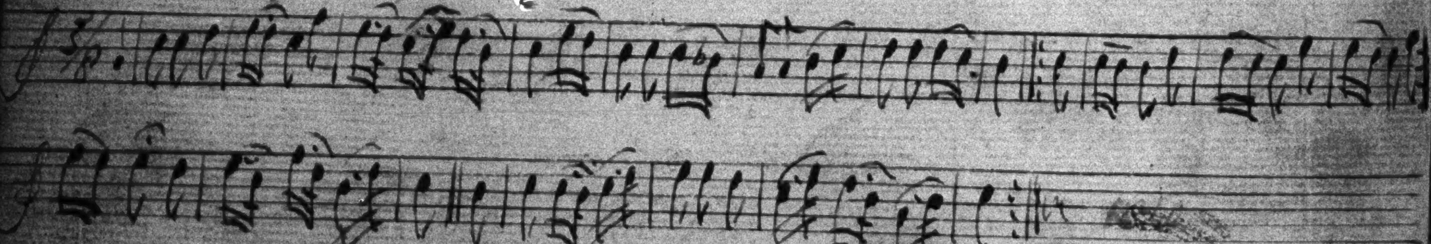

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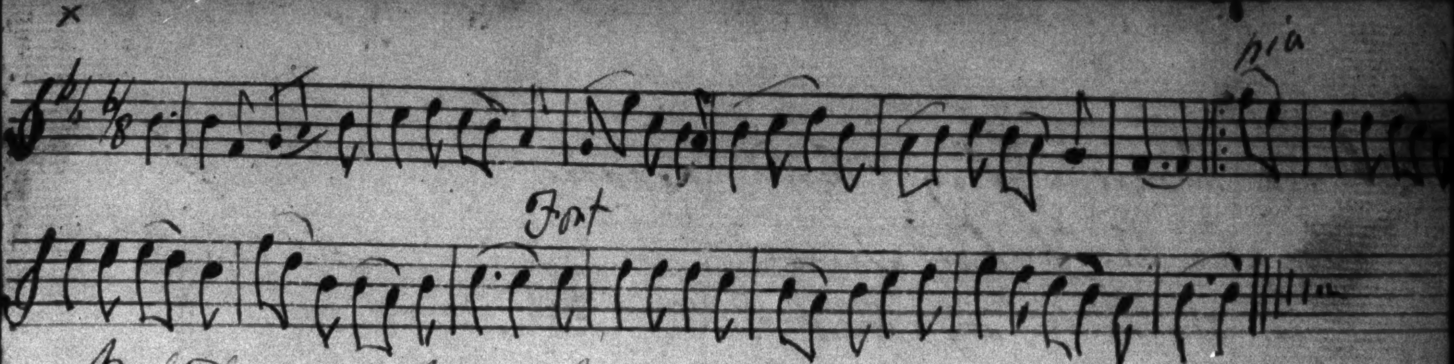

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Loud Hallelujahs let us Sing
Be praise and glory given
let Saints on earth and angels Sing
The harmony of Heaven

Arise Arise Sing And Rejoice
to See the happy morn
This is the Day that Brings us Joy
for Christ the Lord is Born

No 73rd

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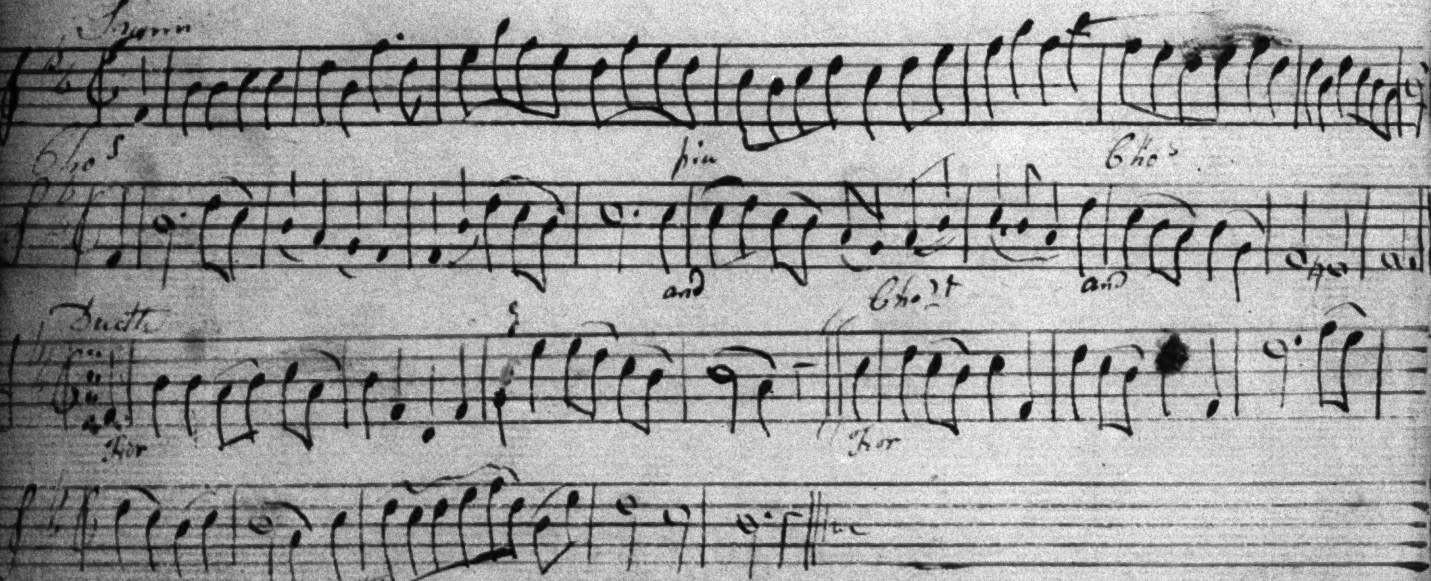


2nd

Let All that hear the Joyfull Sound
Rejoice With Holy Mirth
Let all your Songs to God Abound
At our great Saviours Birth

3rd

To Father Son and Holy Ghost
Who Sweetly all agree
to Save a World of Sinners lost
Eternal Glory Be

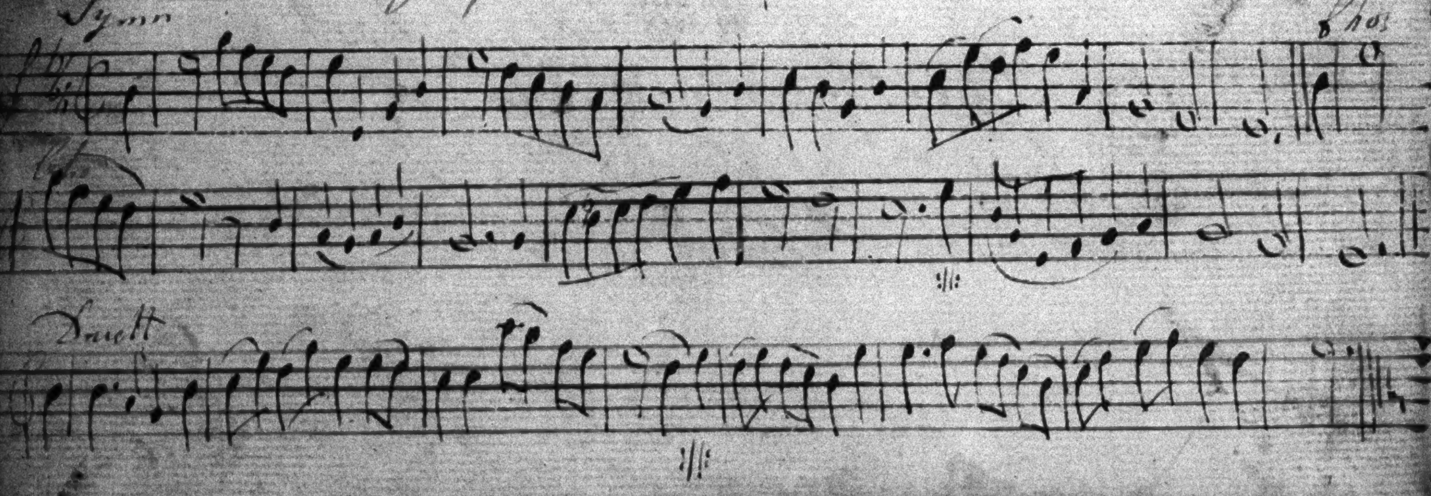
No 75

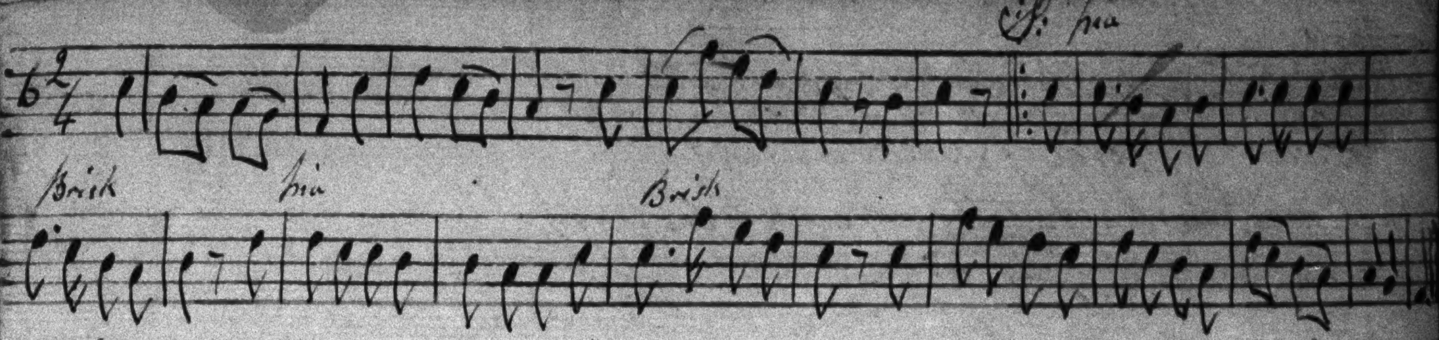
Come Christians now Behold the Lamb
Which on this Day was born
Come rise and praise his holy name
And usher in the morn.

No 74th

From Heaven this Glorious tidings Come
to mortals hear on Earth
God Sent His own beloved Son
By His Stupendious Birth

Now To the father and the Son
all praise and glory given
Let Saints on Earth with Angels Join
the Harmony of heaven





Immortal Glory give to God
Throughout the lofty Sky
Let Joy on earth and peace ensue
The great Redeemer's high

2

No 75

Now let us Haste and Join the throng
to Sing our makers praise
O earth Come Join Our new made Song
And High Your Voices raise

3d

Since heav'n is now Come Down to Earth
Whither the Angels fly
Hark How the Heavenly Choir Do Sing
Glory to God on High &c

Awake ye Drowsey Mortals all
Hear Music from on High
And Listen to the Heavenly Call
a Saviours born to Day

2nt

Arise and Hail the Joyfull Day
of your Redeemers Birth
Lift up your Voices to the Sky
a Saviours born on Earth

We Will Exalt the Lord our god
and His great name adore
and Sing His praises Here on earth
Till Time Shall Be no more

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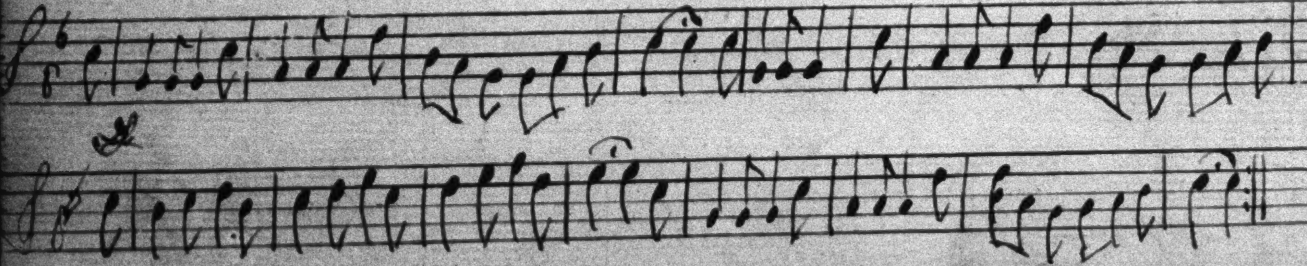

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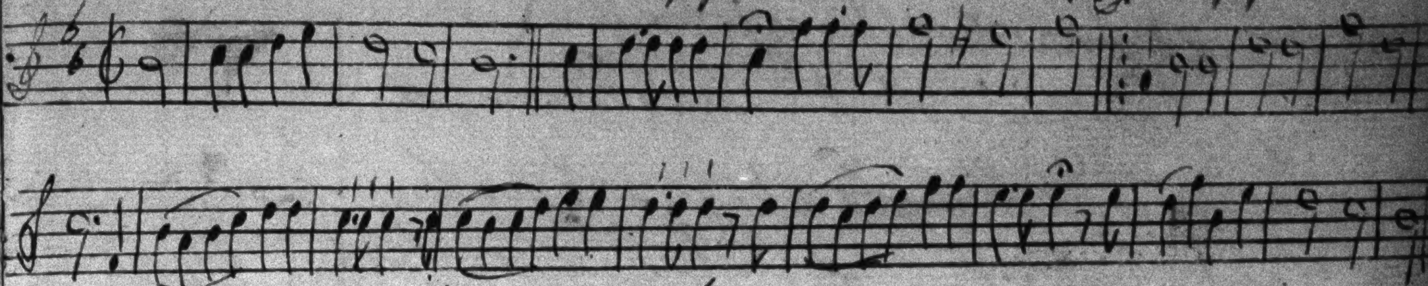

Let all on Earth rejoice
To Hear What News is Brought
The Lord Has Sent his only Son
That Sinners might Be taught

2d

Long God Has promis'd us
a Saviour Should Be Born
That we may all his praises See,
And Sing His Love this morn

3d

Glory to the Father
And glory to the Son
Sing glory unto God Above
Eternal three and one

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To Hear What news is Brought
The Lord has Sent his only Son
That Sinners might Be taught

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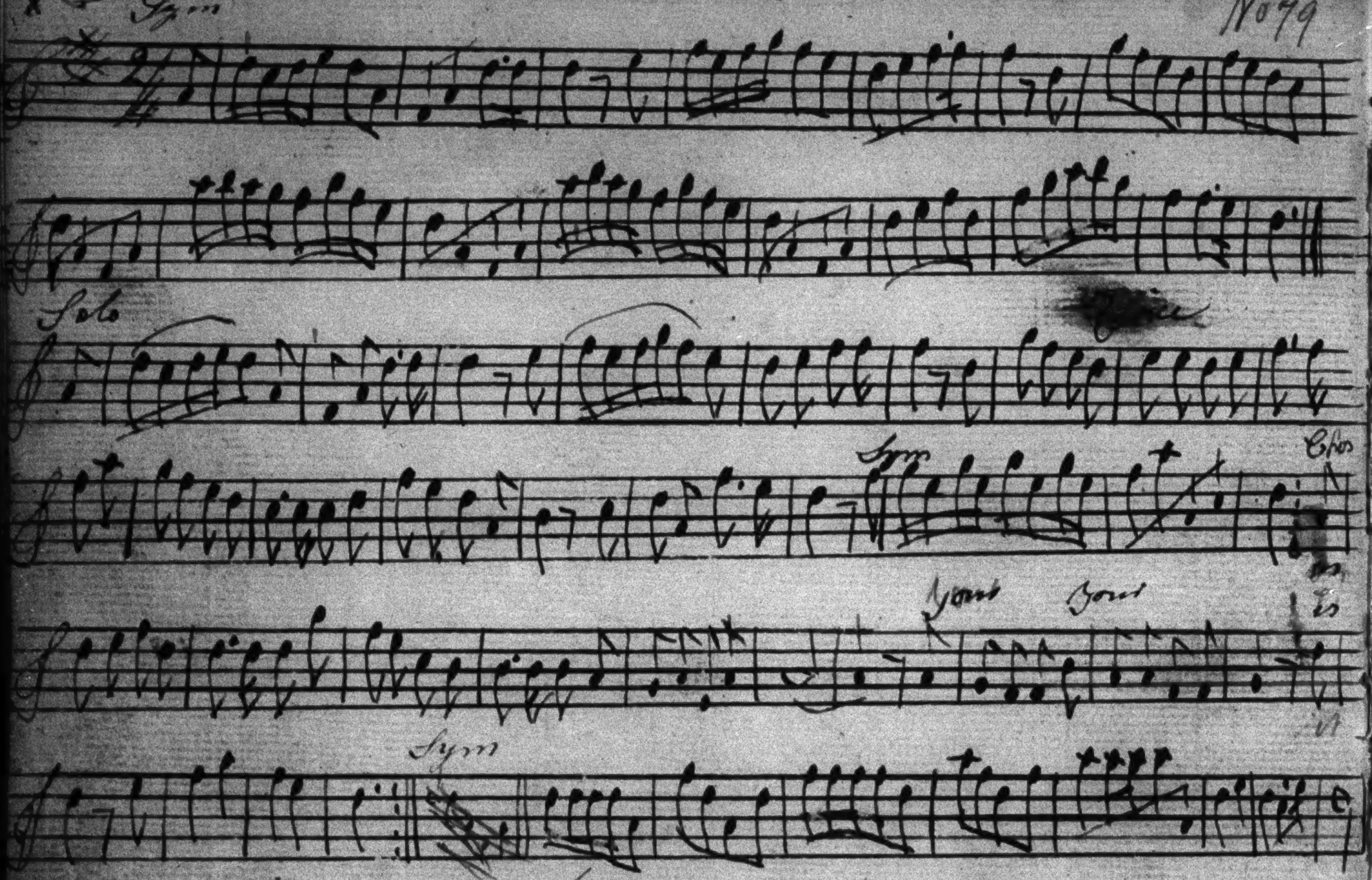


While angels flying from There throne
Proclaim that he alone is Come
Salvation to Compleate

Rejoice ye Tenants of the Earth
and Celebrate your Saviours Birth
This is the happy Morn
on with the Angels Did impart
These tidings to Each Longing Heart
Your Saviour Christ is born

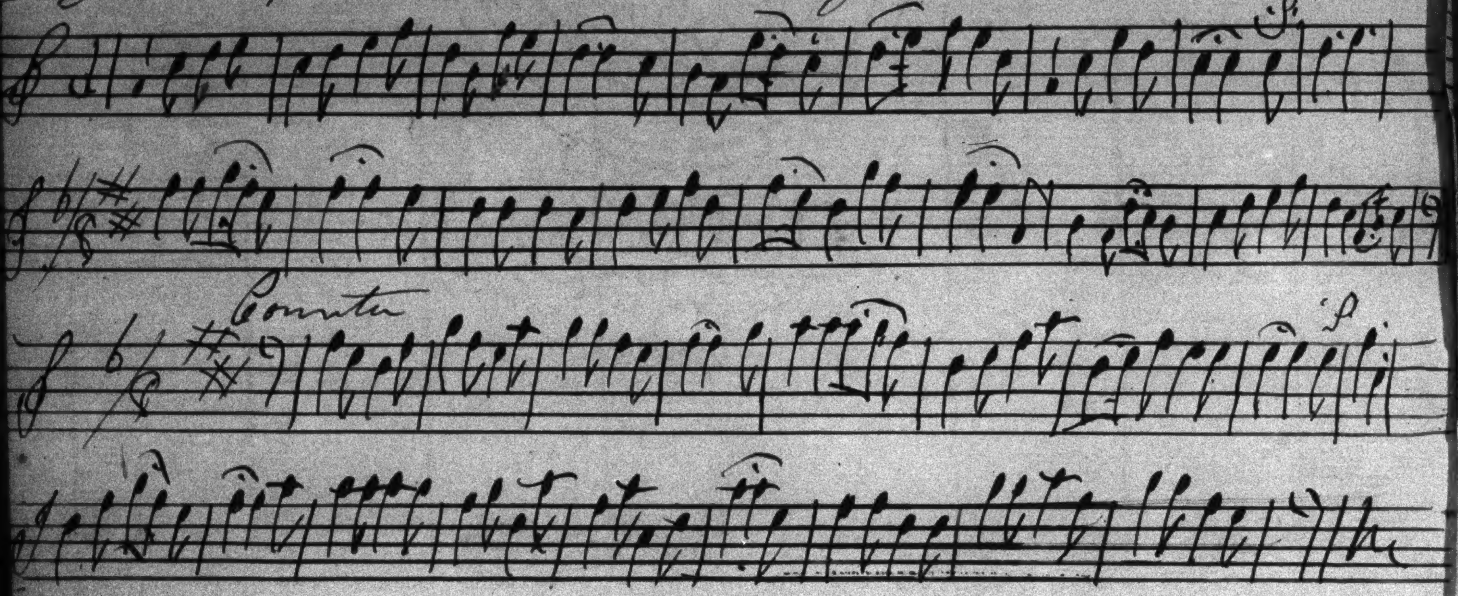
2st

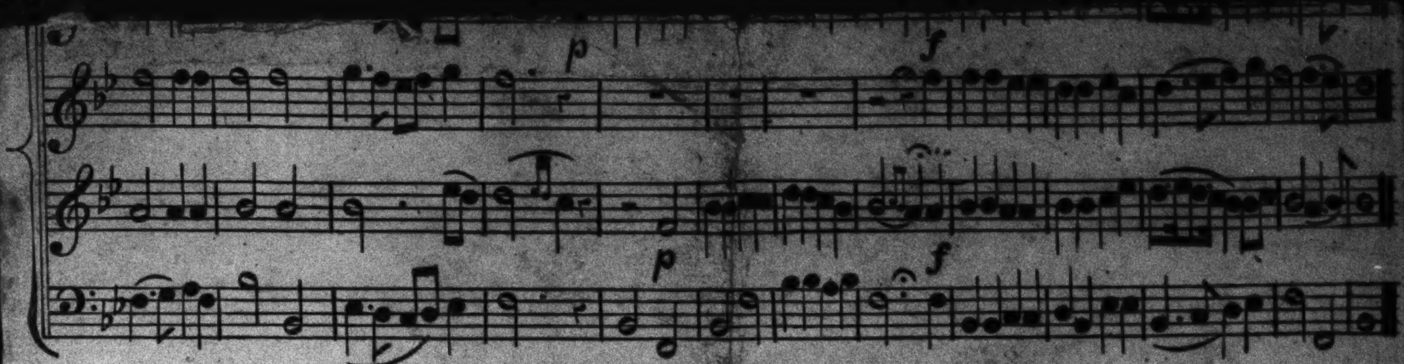
Behold A Meteor Shining bright
Conducts the eastern Sages light
To Judah's Distant land
and guides to Bethlem their road
Then fixed over land Abode
Directed by his hand

3rd

And there they found their new born king
To Whom thay Did their offerings Bring
and worship at His feet

Tenor of Behold the Morning Star Arise





1

Awake, awake the sacred song,
To our incarnate Lord;
Let every heart, and every tongue,
Adore th' eternal Word.

2

Then shone Almighty power and love,
In all their glorious forms;
When Jesus left his throne above,
To dwell with sinful worms.

3

To dwell with misery below,
The Saviour left the skies;
And sunk to wretchedness and woe,
That worthless man might rise.

4

Adoring angels tun'd their songs,
To hail the Joyful day;
With rapture then let mortal tongues,
Their grateful worship pay.

5

What glory, Lord, to thee is due!
With wonder we adore;
But could we sing as angels do,
Our highest praise were poor.

"Mellstock" Choir (Stinsford) - Fragment of a Music book belonging to T.H's grandfather -

1

Hail Blessed virgin full of grace,
Blessed above all mortal race;
Whose blessed womb brought forth in one,
A God, A Saviour and A Son.

2

Arise my soul and thou my voice,
In hymns of praise early rejoice;
His name extol and magnify,
Upon these errands Angels fly.

3

Stupendious babe my God and King,
Thy praises I will ever sing;
In Joyful accents raise my voice,
And in the praise of God rejoice.

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My Soul learn by thy Saviour's birth,
For to debace thyself on earth;
That thou may'st be exalted high,
And reign with Christ eternally.

Fugue in "While Shepherd's Watch'd"

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